REMARKS

The present amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed in the above-referenced case on March 16, 2005 and made Final. The applicant has carefully considered the rejections and reasoning presented in the Final action, and although the applicant still believes the rejections lack merit, as argued in the last response, the applicant elects to cancel all of the standing claims and to enter new claims as presented above, reciting limitations that are different enough from the cancelled claims to completely obviate the rejections, which should therefore be removed.

The patentable heart of the new claims is the presence of a rigid member in the anchor surrounded by resilient and elastic material, such that any action tending to displace the above-ground member that is anchored, will result in translation of the rigid member within the elastic material without dislodging the anchor from its earth-bound footing. These new claims certainly appear to be patentable over the art that has been cited and applied thus far, and are believed to be patentable.

If any fees are due beyond fees paid with this amendment, authorization is made to deduct those fees from deposit account 50-0534. If any time extension is needed beyond any extension requested with this amendment, such extension is hereby requested.

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